



94th Women's Western Junior Championship

Aurora Country Club | Aurora, IL

June 21 – 25, 2021

Application Information

Entries will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. CST on May 3, 2021.

ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to amateur girls who are 18 years of age or younger and will not reach 19 years of age by June 21, 2021, have an up-to-date 18-hole USGA Handicap Index not to exceed 14.4 under the USGA Handicap System or state or international equivalent handicap system, and are not college or university students. Please review the Application Information form before submitting your application. All entries are subject to approval or rejection by the Women's Western Golf Association Committee (hereinafter referred to as "WWGA Committee") at any time before or after the start of play.

THE FIELD

The field may be limited by the WWGA Committee to a maximum of 78 contestants. The WWGA Committee will automatically accept players who are exempt into the field in accordance with the exemption categories listed on **PAGE 6** of this Application Information document, providing there are spaces available. Exempt players are expected to complete the application and pay the full entry fee by the posted deadline. Eligible players who are not automatically exempt should submit a completed application, including a golf resume and entry fee by the posted deadline.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

- All applications must be submitted online at www.womenswesternjunior.com. Incomplete or inaccurate application forms will not be accepted.
- Only one application may be filed per player.
- All applications must be accompanied by the full entry fee of \$225, which includes a \$25 non-refundable application fee. If you are not accepted into the final tournament field, you will receive a refund, less the \$25 application fee.
- By registering for the Women's Western Junior Championship, you agree to all the terms and conditions listed in this Application Information Document.

TOURNAMENT ACCEPTANCE

Eligible players qualifying for an exemption into the tournament in categories A, B and C will be notified of their acceptance into the tournament after receipt of the online application and entry fee, provided there are spaces available. All players applying for a D-1 "Special Consideration Exemption" and players that do not meet the exemption criteria will be emailed notification of their status (acceptance or waitlist) by **May 7, 2021**.

WITHDRAWAL

If an entrant who has paid the entire entry fee withdraws before May 14, 2021, the entry fee will be refunded, less the \$25 application fee. If an entrant withdraws for any reason after May 14, 2021, **no refunds** will be given. If you cannot compete and do not officially withdraw **prior** to the tournament, you will be treated as a "no-show" and will be subject to exclusion from future WWGA Championships.



FORMAT

Official practice rounds will be held on Monday, June 21, 2021. Players must register **prior** to playing their practice round. There will be 36 holes of stroke play qualifying to determine the low 16 players that will qualify for match play. In the event of a tie for the 16th position, a sudden-elimination playoff shall be held to determine the qualifiers. The playoff will begin as soon as the last player has completed 36 holes of qualifying and all scores are posted. All players in the playoff are required to be at the teeing ground where the playoff is to commence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS*

Monday, June 21	7:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Player Registration
	8:00 AM – 1:00PM	Practice Rounds
Tuesday, June 22	1st Qualifying Round (18 holes, stroke play)	
	8:30 – 10:30 AM	Tee Times: Holes 1 and 10
	6:00 PM	Player Barbeque
Wednesday, June 23	2nd Qualifying Round (18 holes, stroke play)	
	8:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Tee Times: Holes 1 and 10
	3:30 PM	Sweet 16 Celebration
Thursday, June 24	Match Play (Round of 16)	
	7:30 AM – 8:26 AM	Tee Times: Hole 1
	Match Play (Round of 8)	
	12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	Tee Times: Hole 1
Friday, June 25	Match Play (Semi-Finals, Round of 4)	
	7:30 – 7:40 AM	Tee Times: Hole 1
	Match Play (Finals, Round of 2)	
	12:30 PM	Tee time: Hole 1
	Trophy Ceremony following play	

*All times are approximate and subject to change. Times will be confirmed in pre-tournament email communication.

REGISTRATION

All players must register in-person during the posted times and prior to playing a practice round on Monday, June 21. If a player elects to not play a practice round, she must register during the registration times on Monday, June 21, or confirm arrival time in advance by phone (contact Madison Banas at (847) 920 – 8580) to register. Registration will be in the Aurora Country Club clubhouse, and times will be confirmed in pre-tournament email communication. A player's place in the tournament may be forfeited if she fails to register.



PRACTICE

Aurora Country Club will be available for practice on Monday, June 21; however, each player must register prior to any practice. Practice round tee times will be booked electronically. All players will receive a link to register for a practice round tee time in pre-tournament email communications.

STARTING TIMES

Pairings and starting times for the first two rounds of qualifying will be distributed during Player Registration on Monday, June 21. Pairings will also be posted online at www.womenswesternjunior.com.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Upon notice of tournament acceptance, if needed, participants should book flight reservations into Chicago O'Hare International Airport (approximately 42 miles from Aurora Country Club). The recommended hotels, listed below, have partnered with the tournament to offer discounted group rates until May 30, 2021, or until the hotels are sold out. Additional rate details and the booking links will be shared via pre-tournament email communications. Contestants are expected to make their own hotel reservations. Note: Recreational vehicles, campers, motorhomes or the like are not permitted to park on the premises at Aurora Country Club.

Hampton Inn & Suites – Aurora is located at 2423 Bushwood Drive, Aurora, IL 60506. It is approximately 4 miles from Aurora Country Club and an 8-minute drive. The hotel is happy to partner with the Women's Western Junior Championship to provide king and double queen guestrooms at a discounted rate of \$139.00 per night. Complimentary breakfast and WIFI included. Cancellations must be made 72 hours prior to arrival. Same day departure is allowed, with no penalty, if guests check-out by 1:00 p.m. The Hampton Inn & Suites has a wide variety of restaurant options nearby to suit any food and beverage needs. Please click [here](#) to book your stay at the Hampton Inn & Suites. Enter code **WJG** to receive the discounted rate.

Sheraton – Lisle Naperville is located at 3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle, IL, 60532. It is approximately 18 miles from Aurora Country Club and a 22-minute drive. The hotel is happy to partner with the Women's Western Junior Championship to provide standard king and double queen bedrooms at a rate of \$129.00 per night. Triple (\$139.00) and quadruple (\$149.00) bedrooms are also available. A gourmet hot breakfast and WIFI are included in the nightly rate. Same day departure is allowed, with no penalty, if guests check-out by 1:00 p.m. The Sheraton Hotel has a variety of shopping and activity options in the area including the Main Street Promenade shopping center and Top Golf Naperville. Please click [here](#) to book your stay at the Sheraton.

HEADQUARTERS

All inquiries should be directed to Madison Banas, Western Golf Association, banas@wgaesf.org. During the championship, the WWGA Tournament Headquarters Office will be located in Aurora Country Club clubhouse.

93rd Women's Western Junior Championship Committee

WWGA President – Cece Durbin, Indian Hill Club | Illinois

Tournament Chairman – Jackie Wacker, Shoreacres | Illinois, jackiewacker@icloud.com

Assistant Tournament Chairman – Kim Schriver, Glen View Club | Illinois

Rules Chairman – Georgianne Koch, West Chester | Ohio

Public Relations Chairman – Betty Roska, Mauh-Nah-Tee-See | Illinois



Hospitality Chairman – Courtney Trimble, Atlantic Athletic Club | Illinois
Scoreboard Chairman – Cathy Chandler, Glen View Club | Illinois
Assistant Scoreboard Chairman – Spot Lawler, Glen View Club | Illinois
College Coaches Liaison – Judy Anderson, Glen View Club | Illinois
Entry Chairman – Madison Banas, WGA, banas@wgaesf.org

CADDIE POLICY

Players shall walk at all times during a stipulated round in the Championship. A player may provide her own caddie, carry her bag or provide her own non-motorized pushcart. A player may not use a parent, stepparent or guardian as a caddie during stroke play or match play rounds. A limited number of club caddies are available for the practice round and tournament rounds on a first-come, first-serve basis. A player is not required to employ a caddie for any stage of the Championship, although it is recommended. If you would like to request an Aurora Country Club caddie, please check the appropriate box on the online application and follow instructions detailed in your acceptance email to contact the Caddie Manager to make arrangements.

CONDUCT CODE

In fairness to the field of competition: In both the stroke play and match play portion of the tournament, it is expected and is the responsibility of every player to continue play throughout the tournament until eliminated. The following actions by contestants or caddies will be considered violations of the Conduct Code: any abusive language, club throwing, cheating, disrespect of volunteers, officials or host families, abuse of the course, leaving the course during your competitive round without permission from a WWGA official, any use of or association with drugs or alcohol, not adhering to the dress code during any portion of the tournament, any vandalism at the host hotel, and/or any other conduct not becoming of a Women's Western Junior contestant. The penalties for Conduct Code violations, based on the severity of misconduct, may be any or all of the following: a warning, 1 or 2 stroke penalty, disqualification of the player from the tournament, suspension of the player indefinitely from WWGA Championships.

DRESS CODE

Contestants and caddies are expected to wear golf appropriate attire at all times when using the practice facilities, golf course or while visiting the clubhouse. No short shorts, short skorts/skirts, jeans, cut-offs, tank tops, halter tops, bathing suits or the like are permitted. No metal or ceramic spikes are permitted.

RULES OF GOLF

The Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA and The R&A, as modified by the local rules established by the WWGA, will be used. The WWGA Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein. Changes in the tournament format caused by force majeure shall be within the sole discretion of the WWGA officials. The decisions of the WWGA Committee in any matter shall be final.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION; BROADCASTING

By submitting this application, I understand that the WWGA or its designees, may record, film, photograph, or otherwise capture my likeness, image, voice, biography, references to me, my quoted statements, and my play in the Championship (the foregoing, together with my name, my "Appearance"). In consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Championship, by submitting this Application, I grant (and/or have the authority to grant to the WWGA in the case of a parent/guardian of a minor or other authorized representative submitting the Application on my behalf) to the WWGA, and its licensees, successors and assigns, the perpetual, transferable, assignable,



worldwide, royalty-free, irrevocable right to use my Appearance, in whole or in part, in all manner (including exhibition, distribution, reproduction, publication, display, broadcast, transmission or otherwise), and media now known or hereafter invented or discovered, and for any purpose whatsoever. The rights granted herein include, without limitation, the right to use the Appearance, or portions thereof, in promotion of the Championship and future championships through any of the foregoing means of distribution, as well as in the design, manufacture and distribution of merchandise related to the Championship or other championships, that include elements of my Appearance. The WWGA is not obligated to use my Appearance in any matter, and materials embodying any aspect of my Appearance do not need to be submitted to me for approval. I release and discharge the WWGA, its licensees, successors and assigns from any claims arising from use of my Appearance, including claims for misrepresentation of me, my character, or my person by any means. As between the WWGA and me, the WWGA shall own all right, title and interest, including the copyright(s), in and to any works created by the WWGA, its licensees, successors and assigns, that include all or a portion of my Appearance. This grant shall be binding on my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and the successors and assigns of the WWGA. I hereby waive all privacy, publicity, defamation, libel, and proprietary rights relating to the Appearance as used by the WWGA in conjunction with these terms. Players are required to cooperate with representatives of the media; however, no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required. Authorized representatives of the media will not interfere with the player's Championship play in an unreasonable manner.

AWARDS

- **Icely Cup** – Match Play Champion. Champion's name will be inscribed on the trophy.
- **Ann S. Upchurch Trophy** – Match Play Finalist. The Finalist's name will be inscribed on the trophy.
- **Low Gross Medal** – Medalist. Lowest gross score from the 36-holes of qualifying.



Women's Western Golf Association

2021 Junior Championship Exemptions

Exempt players who wish to participate in the Championship must return their invitation and complete an official entry by the posted deadline of May 3, 2021.

Players in one and/or both of the following categories may be eligible for exemption into the 2021 Women's Western Junior Championship, providing: they meet the eligibility requirements under the ELIGIBILITY section of the entry form, and there are spaces available.

- (1) Player qualifies under categories A, B, C or
- (2) Player has received a formal invitation for a D-1 Special Consideration Exemption from the Women's Western Junior Championship Committee

A. Exemptions based on WWGA Championships

Women's Western Junior Championship:

- A-1 Any Champion.
- A-2 Match Play Finalist/Runner-Up since 2019
- A-3 "Sweet 16" qualifiers for match play (2019)

Women's Western Amateur Championship:

- A-4 Match Play qualifier (2020)

B. Exemptions based on other Championships

- B-1 U.S. Girls' Junior Match Play Qualifiers (2019)
- B-2 Host state's Girls' State Junior Champion (2019, 2020), oldest division
- B-3 Annika Invitational USA Presented by Rolex, top 5 finishers (2021)
- B-4 Rolex Tournament of Champions, top 5 finishers (2020)
- B-5 Rolex Girls Junior Championship, top 5 finishers (2020)

C. Exemptions based on Rankings

- C-1 Top 50 Golfweek Junior Girls' Rankings as of date of entry
- C-2 Top 50 Junior Golf Scoreboard Girl's Rankings as of date of entry
- C-3 Top 50 Rolex AJGA Girl's Junior Rankings as of date of entry
- C-4 Rolex Junior Girls All-America First Team (2020)

D. Exemptions based on Special Considerations:

- D-1 A limited number of exemptions, based on special considerations and/or written invitation, may be granted by the Committee. Requests for a special consideration exemption may be submitted to the Women's Western Junior Championship Committee by applying online.